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## MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MICHAEL D. ANTONOVICH

May 27, 2003

## STATE LAW FOR COLLEGE RECRUITMENT OF FORMER FOSTER YOUTH

In 1996 Assembly Bill No. 2436 became law as California Education Code sections 89340 through 89347. This law, known as the Higher Education Outreach and Assistance Act for Emancipated Foster Youth, requires state universities and community colleges to have outreach services to foster youth to encourage their enrollment in a state university or community college and to assist these youth in completing admission and financial aid applications. It has come to my attention that many colleges and universities are not implementing this law due to county and state agencies being unable to release the names of foster youths. Child protection agencies throughout the state should be working with the universities and colleges to ensure full implementation of this law.

## I, THEREFORE, MOVE THAT the Board instruct:

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The Director of the Department of Children and Family Services to review the implementation problems with the Higher Education and Assistance Act for Emancipated Foster Youth, consult with County Counsel regarding confidentiality laws and alternative solutions that can be implemented to resolve these problems, and report back to the Board within 90 days with a plan to comply with the Act without compromising foster youth's privacy rights.

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